

McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Program

Serving Families in Transition and Unaccompanied Youth

For 16 counties in Area 2, the program provides educational support for students identified as homeless. The program serves the counties of Boone, Bureau, Carroll, DeKalb, Henry, JoDaviess, LaSalle, Lee, Marshall, Ogle, Putnam, Rock Island, Stark, Stephenson, Whiteside, and Winnebago.

Goals of this grant include:

- Ensuring that all school districts in the 16 counties have an identified Homeless Education Liaison who has been trained on the subject and is registered by ISBE as a liaison
- Provide professional development for liaisons, school personnel, communities and all other interested parties
- Assist in identifying homeless students
- Provide school supplies to students who are identified as homeless
- Remove barriers to school success
- Advocate for the rights of homeless students
- Provide information and opportunities to educational and community partners to assist in meeting the needs of homeless students
- Assist in emergency transportation of students
- Answer questions and provide support to schools who have students identified as homeless

For local support or assistance contact – Deb Foust, dfoust@roe47.org or 815-625-1495

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